

Woman's Club

Palo Alto, California

1907-1908



*In essential things unity; in doubtful things liberty;
in all things charity.*—SAINT AUGUSTINE.

TWELFTH
ANNUAL ANNOUNCEMENT

OF THE

Woman's Club

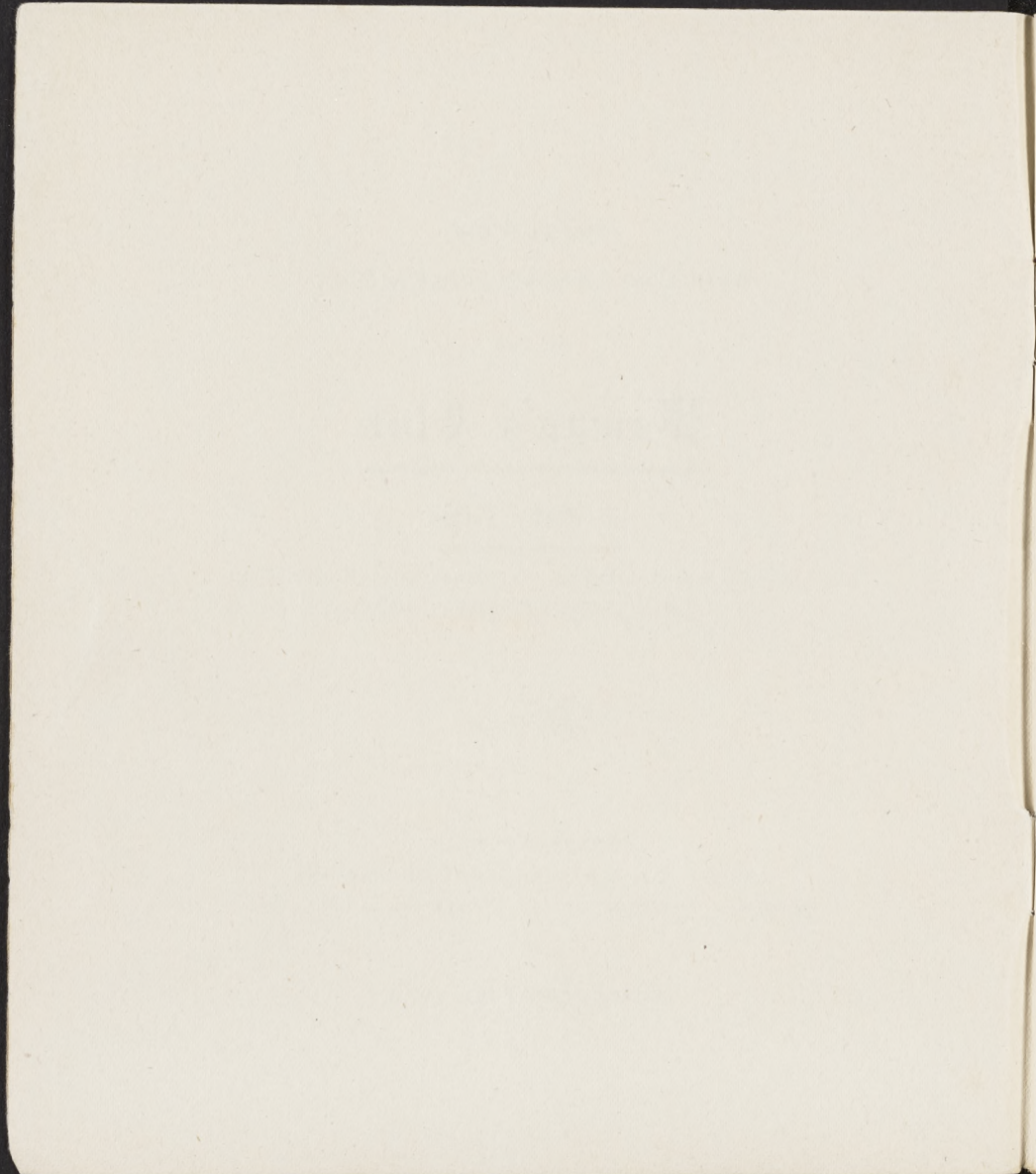
of Palo Alto

ORGANIZED, MAY, 1894



FEDERATED WITH
CALIFORNIA STATE FEDERATION AND THE
GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS, 1898

INCORPORATED, 1904



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Standing Committees

Music

MISS RAY STUART, *Chairman*

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Departments

I. Education

MISS ELIZABETH HUGHES
General Department Chairman

Literature Section

MRS. WM. SCOFIELD, *Chairman*

Current Events Section

MRS. GERTRUDE DIBBLE, *Chairman*

French Section

MRS. MABEL VARNEY, *Chairman*

II. Art

MRS. EDITH BUSHNELL, *Chairman*

Music Section

MRS. A. D. CONNELLY, *Chairman*

III. Civics

MRS. CHAS. THOMPSON, *Chairman*

MRS. W. T. MCKINNEY, *Assistant*

Announcements

1. All general meetings will be held the first and third Wednesday of each month in Jordan Hall beginning at 3 p. m., unless otherwise noted.

Music Section—1st and 3d Thursday, 10:15 a.m.

French Section—Tuesdays, 10:15 a. m.

Literature Section—2d and 3d Monday, 2 p. m,

Current Event Section—1st Friday, 8 p. m.

Art Section—2d and 3d Wednesday, 4 p. m.

The Art Section will meet at Castilleja School by invitation of Miss Lockey.

- II. Upon payment of dues members will be entitled to the year book and two guest cards.

- III. Visitors' tickets may be bought from the Treasurer for 25 cents each.

By invitation of Miss Harker the Musicale, October 30th, will be held at the Harker School.

- IV. The proceeds of the Valentine Bazaar scheduled for February 5th will be used to purchase art books for the public library.

- V. Musical program at each meeting will be arranged by Music Committee.

- VI. Members wishing to propose names for membership should send application blanks properly filled out to Mrs. Thomas Bradbury, 628 Gilman street. Blanks sent on application to Mrs. Bradbury.

Club and Department Calendar

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| <p>*Sept. 4 3:00 p.m. Reception</p> <p>* " 18 2:30 p.m. Business
Roll call, response from
California authors</p> <p>" 19 Music Section Opens—10:15
a.m., at home of Mrs. A.D.
Connelly, Chairman; 541
Cowper St.</p> <p>" 23 Literature Section Opens—
2 p. m., at home of Mrs.
Wm. Scofield, Chairman;
800 University Ave</p> <p>" 27-28 Autumn Festival. Home
Industries, Competitive
Exhibit. Mrs. H. A. Al-
derton, Chairman.</p> <p>*Oct. 2 "Economic Value of Art
Training," Prof. F. H.
Meyer, Pres. Cal. Guild of
Art and Crafts, Berkeley.</p> <p>" 8 10:15 a. m. French Section</p> <p>" 9 4:00 p. m. Art Section.
Miss Lockey's School.</p> <p>* " 16 3:00 p. m. Federation.
Mrs. E. C. Hurff, Dist.Pres.</p> <p>" 30 3:00 p. m. Musicale.
Miss Harker's School</p> <p>*Nov. 6 2:30 p. m. Business.
3:15 p. m. Debate.</p> | <p>*Nov. 20 3:00 p. m. "Play Grounds"
Mrs. E. L. Baldwin, Chair-
man Civics Cal. Club.</p> <p>*Dec. 4 2:30 p. m. Art and Crafts
Exhibition.</p> <p>" 18 3:00 p. m. Roll call, re-
sponses from Whittier
Current Events.</p> <p>*Jan. 1 8:00 p. m. Reception to
gentlemen.</p> <p>* " 15 2:30 p. m. Business.
3:15 p. m. Legislation of
vital interest to women.</p> <p>* " 29 3:00 p. m. Reciprocity.
Visiting Clubs.</p> <p>*Feb. 5 2:30 p. m. Valentine Ba-
zaar. Proceeds for Public
Library.</p> <p>" 19 3:00 p. m. Peace.</p> <p>" 22 8:00 p. m. Colonial party.</p> <p>*Mar. 4 2:30 p. m. Business.
3:15 p. m. Address.</p> <p>" 18 2:30 p. m. Loan exhibit.
Address.</p> <p>*April 1 3:00 p. m. French Drama.</p> <p>* " 15 3:00 p. m. Current Events</p> <p>" 28 8:00 p. m. Musicale.</p> <p>May 6 2:30 p. m. Annual meeting</p> <p>" 20 3:00 p. m. Reception.</p> |
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* General Meetings.

Club Calendar

1907-1908

*How shall we manage that all be fresh and new,
pleasant and instructive—GOETHE*

SEPTEMBER 4, 1907

3:00 P. M.

RECEPTION

Presentation of Department Work by each Chairman

SEPTEMBER 18, 1907

2:30 P. M.

BUSINESS

Membership Roll Call

Responses from California authors

3:15 P. M.—TO BE FILLED

OCTOBER 2, 1907

3:00 P. M.

“Economic Value of Art Training”

PROF. F. H. MEYER,
Pres. Cal. Guild of Arts and Crafts, Berkeley

OCTOBER 16, 1907

3:00 P. M.

“Federation”

MRS. E. C. HURFF, District President

OCTOBER 30, 1907

3:00 P. M

AFTERNOON MUSICALS

At Miss Harker's School. Given by Music Section

NOVEMBER 6, 1907

2:30 P. M.

BUSINESS

Reports from District Federation Convention held in Napa

3:15 P. M.

Debate: "Shall the Franchise be Given to Women"

NOVEMBER 20, 1907

3:00 P. M.

"Play Grounds"

MRS. E. L. BALDWIN, Chairman Civics California Club

DECEMBER 4, 1907

2:30 P. M.

Art Loan Exhibition

Addresses by San Francisco Artists

Articles on Sale

DECEMBER 18, 1907

3:00 P. M.

Roll Call. Responses from Whittier in honor of
his 100th Anniversary

Current Events

JANUARY 1, 1908

8:00 P. M.

RECEPTION TO GENTLEMEN

JANUARY 15, 1908

2:30 P. M.

BUSINESS

3:15 P. M.

“Legislation of Vital Interest to Women”

JANUARY 29, 1908

3:00 P. M.

Reciprocity, Visiting Clubs

Program arranged by Mrs. M. M. Stuart

FEBRUARY 5, 1908

Valentine Bazaar

Valentines to be made and contributed by local talent. Proceeds
to be used to purchase art books for the Public Library

FEBRUARY 19, 1908

3:00 P. M.

Peace

Program arranged by Mrs. Alice L. Park

FEBRUARY 22, 1908

Washington Colonial Party

Social Committee and Music Section

MARCH 4, 1908

2:30 P. M.

BUSINESS

3:00 P. M.

"Boys Outing Farm" - - JUDGE F. B. BROWN

Discussion: "Child Labor." Members

MARCH 18, 1908

2:30 P. M.

Loan Exhibit of California Handicraft

"Symbolism of Indian Basketry" MRS. MUNGER

APRIL 1, 1908

3:00 P. M.

FRENCH DRAMA

APRIL 15, 1908

2:30 P. M.

BUSINESS

3:15 P. M.

Current Events

APRIL 28, 1908

8:00 P. M.

MUSICALE—Music Section

MAY 6, 1908

2:30 P. M.

ANNUAL MEETING

Election of Officers. Reports

MAY 20, 1908

RECEPTION TO NEW OFFICERS

Department Calendar

I. Education

MISS ELIZABETH HUGHES

General Department Chairman

"Man's physical needs are slight, but his intellectual needs are bounded only by his capacity to conceive."—LOUIS AGASSIZ.

Literature

Chairman, MRS. WM. SCOFIELD

"Observe, investigate, absorb, radiate."

History of the Handicraft Movement in California
Travel

Current Events

Chairman, MRS. A. L. CORBERT

"Today is your day and mine, the only day we have, the day in which we play our part."—
DAVID STARR JORDAN.

French

Chairman, MRS. MABEL VARNEY

French Drama

II. Art

Chairman, MRS. EDITH BUSHNELL

"And all drank alike from the artist's goblets, fashioned cunningly, taking no note the while of the craftsman's pride, and understanding not his glory in his work."—JAS. MCNEIL WHISTLER.

Oct. 9—Art in kindergarten.

“ 23—Art in public schools.

Nov. 13—Art in high schools.
“ 27—Art in universities.
Dec. 11—Decorative arts.
Jan. 8—Art schools. (professional)
“ 22—Books; binding and decorating.
Feb. 12—Art in public libraries.
“ 26—Museums and galleries.
March 11—California artists.
“ 25—Sculpture.
April 8—Painting.
“ 22—Architecture.
May 13—Arts and crafts. (Home talent).

Music

Chairman, MRS. A. D. CONNELLY

Mrs. L. Hundley, Mrs. H. R. Post, *Assistants*

“Music in the best sense does not require novelty; nay, the older it is and the more we are accustomed to it, the greater its effect.”—GOETHE.

German composers.

III. *Civics*

Chairman, MRS. CHAS. THOMPSON

Mrs. W. T. McKinney, Assistant

"All true work is sacred. All labor is divine."—THOMAS CARLYLE.

Autumn Festival

Chairman, MRS. H. A. ALDERTON

Mrs. J. A. Shipman, Assistant

*"The plentious horn
Of autumn, filled and running o'er
With fruit, and flower and golden corn."*

—WHITTIER

Competitive exhibits

Home Industries

Order of Business

Music

1. Reading and approving of minutes.
2. Business.
3. Announcements.
4. Program of the day.
5. Discussion.
6. Adjournment.

MEMBERSHIP BLANK

We the undersigned members of the Palo Alto
Woman's Club present the name of.....
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for membership in the Club.

Signed {
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Plan of Work

*Emerson asserted that civilization was
"The power of a good woman."*

To lend a hand in all worthy local enterprises, parks, roads, schools, libraries.

To co-operate with all efforts for the betterment of humanity; to arouse public sentiment upon questions which make for good citizenship.

To encourage the public schools in all endeavors for progress.

To foster the Arts and Crafts Movement to the end that some day there may be established here an Art center.

To give stimulus and strength to the unusual musical ability and interest which already exist in the community.

To be ready, alert, sympathetic and helpful in every good work.

Club History

The Woman's Club of Palo Alto was organized May, 1894, by Mary Grafton Campbell for the purpose of self improvement, mutual help, and community work.

Mrs. Campbell was elected president of the Club, and under her wise and enthusiastic leadership the Club soon gained recognition for its valuable work.

The reading class extended its privileges to the public by opening a reading room and with its book socials were soon able to place 100 volumes upon the shelves.

Mrs. A. L. Corbert, whose helpful efforts had made it possible to establish the reading room, was placed in charge.

Mrs. Gilbert and Miss Ford were later appointed a library committee. The Club superintended and supported this work until it developed into a circulating library in 1898, and was finally turned over to the town trustees. A Carnegie library building now stands as a monument to the pioneer efforts of the Woman's Club assisted by a generous public.

Mrs. Dayan, superintendent of the village improve-

ment work, secured the privilege of parks about the railroad station and she also set out a line of trees along University avenue. The Club later planted and cared for a number of shade trees at an expense of over \$200. In 1900 the Improvement Department under an able committee improved the grammar school grounds, they being assisted financially by the school trustees. This committee also secured the services of a landscape gardener from Berkeley to advise and locate prospective park sites. The Creek boundary was selected as the first choice. Garbage boxes were placed about the business streets.

Through the Department of Philanthropy much good work was done. Summer homes were provided for a number of children under the fresh air fund; for two years a sewing class was maintained; a needle-work guild was established; a penny savings bank for school children was cared for until a local savings bank was opened; hypnotic exhibitions were discouraged and the establishment of a wayside inn was made unpopular; a rest room was furnished for girls in the high school.

The Club assisted in placing a Loan Art Exhibit in the Lytton avenue grammar school. In this collection of pictures were many copies of the best masterpieces. The pupils from all the schools visited this exhibit.

Mrs. White, the teacher of drawing in the public school, added greatly to the interest by her delightful talk.

In 1907 the Club, through the Village Improvement Department, worked up a bond issue for a park site which was carried by a majority, but not by the required two-thirds vote. A general clean up day was observed.

The Club contributed to the successful Garden Contest held for the school children last spring.

